

Department of Practical Military Engineering,

U. S. MILITARY ACADEMY.

West Point, N. Y., July 15th 1889

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Philadelphia, Penn.

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I regret that the samples were not large enough to enable the assayer to make determinations of the zinc as well as the copper and tin; larger samples could not be obtained without great inconvenience as my other duties prevented my making a trip to New York for the purpose.

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To do work of this kind and highly appreciate their courtesy, which has certainly been an accommodation to me as well as a saving of expense to the United States.

Permit me to express my thanks both to yourself and the assayer who did the work.

Very Respectfully

Yours Obedt Servt

Edw. M. C. Derby

Capt. of Engineers

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